

**CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY**  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20505

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Mr. David C. Humphrey  
Archivist  
Lyndon Baines Johnson Library  
Austin, TX 78705

Dear Mr. Humphrey:

The attached letter from the Naval Historical Center requests access for Mr. Edward J. Marolda, an official Navy historian, to various CIA documents on the Vietnam war held by your library.

We have verified Mr. Marolda's TOP SECRET clearance, and this letter is to authorize his access to those CIA materials that are pertinent to his research on the Navy's role in the Vietnam war.

As indicated in Paragraphs 3 and 4 of the attached "CIA Access Policy Concerning Presidential Libraries (revised 12 July 1977)," Mr. Marolda is free to take notes and make copies of any CIA materials reviewed. Such notes and copies of documents must be collected at the Johnson Library and sent directly to the CIA History Staff for review, to determine whether they can be released to Mr. Marolda.

We shall notify you of this agency's decisions with respect to those documents and notes requested by Mr. Marolda. We are also sending copies of this authorization to Dr. Dean C. Allard, Naval Historical Center, and to Dr. James E. O'Neill, Assistant Archivist for Presidential Libraries, National Archives and Records Service.

Yours sincerely,

J. Kenneth McDonald  
Chief Historian

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